

## GATHERING DATA FOR PRESENTATION

Legislative Committee to Meet Officers of Several Railroad Companies.

## MATTER OF DISCRIMINATION

Receiver for Bank of Angier Appointed—New Y. M. C. A. Nears Completion.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Raleigh, N. C., April 8.—If that date is acceptable to the officials of the railroad companies interested, the first conference between the legislative freight rate commission, and the officers of the railroad companies, since the adjournment of the legislature, looking to the elimination of discriminations against North Carolina shippers will be held in Raleigh on April 10. The legislative commission has had C. W. Hillman, of Louisville, Ky., gathered for several weeks in getting together data available at numbers of the larger shipping points of the State, to be used in presenting the case for the State and in forcing the largest possible concessions on the railroad companies. Mr. Hillman was in conference to-day with Secretary Maxwell, of the corporation commission, and all the data available in the office of the commission will be at the disposal of the legislative commission, for impressing on the railroad officials the fullest possible showing of the disadvantages under which the North Carolina shippers are laboring. It looks as if the date, April 10, will be agreed on by members of the legislative commission, Governor Craig, the corporation commission and the representatives of the railroad companies.

The corporation commission has proposed the appointment of Charles Moss as receiver for the Bank of Angier. One of the three State Trust Company banks, the commission has closed for regularity in managing the institutions. The appointment was made by Judge Carter last night in Goldsboro. The bank was the Macdonald and the Claremont banks will be procured at once. State Bank Examiner Hubbard, just back from Claremont, says he has reason to believe that while the States trust company had only one branch at the three places, they had efforts under way to open banks, and sell States Trust Company stock in at least twenty other small towns, including Pine Top, Walker, Aberdeen, Mocksville and numbers of others. The new Y. M. C. A. building for Raleigh is to be completed by May 1, and the furniture has been ordered. It is expected to arrive at any time. The association will doubtless be in active operation by June 1 or earlier.

The board of directors of the Central Hospital for the Insane will be in annual session to-morrow, and this will be the regular time for the election of a superintendent. When Dr. McKee died more than a year ago, Dr. J. J. Peet was elected superintendent to fill out the unexpired term of Dr. McKee. Governor Craig has recently appointed new members of the board, and it is understood that there is likely to be a lively fight over the election of superintendent, with Dr. Albert Anderson as his possible successor. Friends of Dr. Anderson insist that he is the best man for the job. On the other hand, Dr. Peet and his friends seem confident.

The Monarch Cotton Mills Co., of Gastonia, files an amendment to its charter providing for \$25,000 cumulative preferred stock, 5 per cent stock, out of \$50,000 authorized stock, unless all outstanding stock of the corporation is common stock. C. B. Armstrong is president and A. K. Wingat is secretary. The Realty Exchange (Inc.), Winston-Salem, was chartered to-day with \$125,000 capital, authorized and \$10,000 subscribed by George D. Hodgkin, D. C. Crutchfield and W. E. Franklin. Another charter is to the Wagoner Realty Co., of Concord, capital \$50,000 authorized and \$15,000 subscribed by Charles B. Wagoner, H. W. Probst and John Fox.

Long Trestle Completed.  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Alexandria, Va., April 8.—The city has just completed the erection of a trestle 700 feet long to the City Gas Works, which cost \$2,000, one-half of the cost being borne by the Southern Railway Company. Cars will be hauled on it to dump coal directly at the city gas plant, saving the city approximately \$1,000 a year in labor.

Railroad Must Pay Damages.  
The Supreme Court yesterday refused a writ of error to the Southern Railway company, which appealed from a judgment of the Circuit Court of Mecklenburg County in decreeing the payment of \$500 to Bernard E. Jones, administrator of E. A. Jones, Jr., and the railroad, which must now pay the damage, was held responsible.

Beggar Resisted; Fined \$20.  
P. P. Sweeney was fined to-day and costs yesterday in Police Court on the charge of being drunk and resisting Police-men Folkes and Jordan.



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## SCHOOL QUESTION VERY LIVE ISSUE

Harrisonburg Stirred by Committee's Recommendations for Curtailing Expenses.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Harrisonburg, Va., April 8.—Not in many months has Harrisonburg been as excited over anything as she is now over the "school question." By some means a special committee of the Council was appointed to "investigate" the local school situation. Like a thunderclap the committee reported and recommended that the school appropriation be reduced from \$15,000 to \$10,000 for the coming year. The committee suggests that the office of town superintendent be abolished and the superintendent be put back in the high school as a teacher; that the commercial course be dropped; that music be likewise dispensed with; that the teaching force be reduced by the dismissal of three teachers and cheaper teachers be secured for other places. And to add to the excitement, the committee announces that a second report will soon be forthcoming.

But the citizens, having their turn, Harrisonburg can talk of nothing else. Everybody seems to be a standpatter. Nobody is in favor of revising the schools downward. Old "Citizen," "Yes," "Popul," "Fair Play" and others are having their say. Indignation meetings are being planned. Harrisonburg boasts of the best schools in the State, and her citizens are proud of them.

Already Professor James C. Johnston has resigned from the High School, and it is rumored that a dozen other teachers are in a state of near-resignation; but it is believed that public opinion will line up so strongly behind the schools and the teachers that the reaction will make the schools even stronger and better.

## FOR ADJUSTMENT OF RATES ON COAL

Suit Attacks Reasonableness of Rates From Virginia Points to Southern States.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Bristol, Va., April 8.—The High Point Ice and Fuel Company and others, against the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio Railway and others is the style of a suit filed before the Interstate Commerce Commission, seeking an adjustment of the coal rates as between the Coal Creek fields in Tennessee and the coal fields of Southwestern Virginia. This suit involves the question that has heretofore been litigated in various cases. It attacks the reasonableness of the coal rates from the Virginia fields to the Carolinas, Georgia, Florida and other Southern States, and asks that the differential of 10 cents on the ton in favor of the Virginia fields over the Tennessee fields be removed. Various other suits, all in fact, in aid of this main one, have been filed, and the pleadings are now being made up, and as soon as this is done the commission will doubtless refer the matter to an examiner for investigation, and from the examiner the case will finally go before the commission in Washington. The same rate is sought for both fields. Tennessee operators contending that the difference in favor of the Virginia fields is not fair to them. The suit also seeks to have the same rate established from the coal territory entered by the Norfolk and Western and the Chesapeake and Ohio Railways—that is, in so far as their shipments south are concerned.

## UNIVERSITY WILL BE REPRESENTED

Civic Club Sends Delegate to Meeting of Intercollegiate Civic League.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Charlottesville, Va., April 8.—The Civic Club of the University of Virginia has chosen Thomas E. Didlake, of the law school, as its representative at the annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Civic League. Mr. Didlake will leave to-morrow for New York. The league will meet at Kent Hall, Columbia University, on Thursday. The business session will be held Thursday afternoon. President Nicholas Murray Butler, of Columbia University, will open the session with an address of welcome. Fifty-seven colleges and universities will be represented at this meeting.

Mr. Didlake will present, on behalf of the University of Virginia, a record of the work of the Civic Club here. This club is one of the most active and widely known, on account of its achievements, in the whole country. Its reports on the inhabitants and their living conditions of the Rappahannock basin attracted attention all over the United States and in England. The first edition was soon exhausted. At a recent meeting of the club it was decided to publish a second edition of the report, which will be ready for distribution in May.

Another phase of the club's work that has tended to give it a high place in the councils of intercollegiate civic organizations is its study of the negro in his relation to Southern life. This work was begun last season, and is being continued this year. A banquet will be held at the Holland House, New York, on Thursday evening. Among the speakers will be William F. McCombs, who was a leader in the work of the Princeton Civic Club when he was a student at Princeton; Frank Moss, assistant district attorney of New York, who prosecuted the case against Lieutenant Becker; Professor Edward Bruce, Representative Oscar V. Underwood and other leaders in official and political life at the capital. Arrangements have been made for all of the delegates to attend a session of the United States Supreme Court.

At the next meeting of the Virginia Civic Club Mr. Didlake will deliver an address on the New York meeting.

## WANTS CHAMBERS TO AID CONFERENCE

Richmond Commercial Body Invites Others to Big Educational Gathering.

Letters soliciting the aid of chambers of commerce and boards of trade in Virginia and throughout the South, are being sent out by the Richmond Chamber of Commerce, through President T. M. Carrington, in behalf of the Conference for Education in the South, which meets here next week. Such bodies are asked to appoint committees to attend the meeting, in the belief that much will be accomplished for the upbuilding of the South's business in a material way.

One of the letters is as follows: The Richmond Chamber of Commerce appreciates the honor of our city being selected as the place of meeting of the Conference for Education in the South, on April 16 to 18 inclusive, and wishing to co-operate with the officers of the conference, sincerely hope that your body will appoint a committee that will be able to come to this meeting, as we believe that the reports on the lines of the future business development of the South will be very instructive, and that you will be fully repaid for the time spent at this conference.

Yours truly,  
T. M. CARRINGTON, President.

## AMUSEMENTS.

Academy—Dark.  
Hijon—Thurston, the Magician.  
Colonial—Vaudeville.  
Empire—Miniature Musical Comedy.  
Orpheum—Pictures.  
Little Theatre—Pictures.

A Magician and a Man.  
With hampers full of tricks, trunks and cabinets of mystery, and fingers marvelously facile, Thurston, the Magician, amused and mystified, entertained and bewildered a large, laughing, wondering audience at the Bijou last night. To those who care for the inexplicable cleverness of mechanical "magic," Thurston's many ingenious tricks with trunks, cabinets, boxes, prison cells and curtained chambers will appeal. Others will obtain more satisfaction from his really marvelous manual dexterity, notably with cards, while still others will find greater delight in the large proportion of comedy to be found in his performance.

There is something to entertain practically everybody—he even has a troupe of good tumblers, and permits them to burlesque his feat of the "joy of the house" and the professional juggler. The manager will profoundly admire the excellent stage management of the whole performance. With quick and competent assistants, well arranged properties and a thoroughly rehearsed program, the performance moves with commendable smoothness and speed.

Last night Thurston had an opportunity, which he seized, to show in yet another manner the admirable results of his infinite patience and skilled restraint of nerves and temper. Early in the evening loud talking in one of the boxes began to annoy both the performer and audience. Although the noise steadily increased, without any interference from the house management, Thurston refrained from any other action than the casting of a surprised glance at the box and then, until the disturbance reached such a point that the audience could not hear the announcements from the stage. Then, and not until then, Thurston felt compelled to appeal for help, and he asked in a mild, untroubled way that some one would "please ask the gentleman to stop talking." And then, and not until then, some one was dispatched to quell the disturbance, which had continued for many minutes to the infinite annoyance of all in the house save, apparently, those whose duty it was to have put a stop to it. Thurston had proved himself a man, and he continued to prove himself a first class magician.

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SAD IRONS—Smoothing irons, polished with round of sharp points. Regular 6c a lb value; special at lb. 4c

WASH TUBS—Heavy galvanized Iron Tubs, medium size; regular 59c value; special. 29c

FOLDING CLOTHES HORSES—Hold a large day's wash and folds very small; regular \$1.25 value; special. 69c

COAT HANGERS—Hardwood Coat Hangers, with straight hook, regular 5c each; special three 5c

MOP WRINGER—Universal, with wood rolls. Complete with 3-hoop pall; regular \$1.49 value; special. \$1.19

KITCHEN SET—Each set consists of 1 Bread Knife, 1 Butcher Knife, 1 Paring Knife; blades are all steel; regular to sharp edge; regular 29c value; special set. 19c

Basement.

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LOT 3—One of the "banner" offerings, for it demonstrates what real economy there is in dealing here. These Chips, Milans, Azures, etc., worth up to \$2.00 are offered you today at the special price. 49c

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10c Ladies' Vests 5c

29c Hand Bags 19c

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